IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

OF

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACTS, 1881 AND 1887;" "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886;" AND "THE PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1885,"

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1888.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 31st day of October, 1888; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885-1886," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—Fair Rent.

(a) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 30th September, 1888, . .	162,254		Rents Fixed—		
Applications received in month of October, 1888, . . .	809	163,063	By Chief Commission to 30th September, 1888,	1,355	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 30th Sept., 1888, .	7,003		„ in month of Oct., 1888,	32	1,387
Do. in month of October, 1888, . .	55	7,058	By Sub-Commissions to 30th September, 1888,	97,170	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 30th Sept., 1888, .	23,337		„ in month of Oct., 1888,	1,318	98,488
Applications received in month of October, 1888, . . .	297	23,634	Dismissed and struck out—		
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 30th Sept., 1888,	640		By Chief Commission to 30th September, 1888,	1,486	
Do. in month of October, 1888, . .	37	677	„ in month of Oct., 1888,	1	1,487
			By Sub-Commissions to 30th September, 1888,	23,822	
			„ in month of Oct., 1888,	208	24,030
			Withdrawn*—		
			By Chief Commission to 30th September, 1888,	4,583	
			„ in month of Oct., 1888,	9	4,592
			By Sub-Commissions to 30th September, 1888,	6,489	
			„ in month of Oct., 1888,	33	6,522
Total, . . .	—	194,432	Total disposed of,	—	136,506

(b.) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form 33, fixing Fair Rent to 30th September, 1888, . .	90,865
Do., do. in month of October, 1888, . .	459
Total, ...	91,324

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

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II.—Miscellaneous Originating Notices.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (*e.g.*, Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 30th September, 1888, . .	944		Number disposed of to 30th September, 1888,	1,203
Applications received in month of October, 1888, .	6	950	„ in month of October, 1888,	17
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (*e.g.*, Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 30th September, 1888,	26			
Do. in month of October, 1888, . .	—	26		
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 81) received to 30th September, 1888, .	427			
Applications in month of October, 1888, ...	13	440		
Total, . . .	—	1,416	Total disposed of, . .	1,220

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—Applications by Lessee or Grantee to have Lease or Grant executed since 1st January, 1869, declared Void ("Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887,"—sec. 2.)—Form 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,* .	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 30th September, 1888,	18	
		„ in month of October, 1888,	—	18
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th September, 1888, . .	1	
		„ in month of October, 1888,	—	1
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 30th September, 1888, . .	—	
		„ in month of October, 1888,	—	—
Total, . . .	55	Total disposed of, .	—	19

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—Applications by Middleman claiming to be entitled to surrender his Holding under sec. 8 of "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887."—Form 83.

Number of Applications received to 30th September, 1888,	6		Applications granted to 30th September, 1888, .	—
„ in month of October, 1888, . . .	—	6	„ in month of October, 1888,	— —
„ Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 30th Sept., 1888,	2		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th September, 1888, . .	—
„ in month of October, 1888, . . .	—	2	„ in month of October, 1888,	— —
			Applications withdrawn to 30th September, 1888, .	—
			„ in month of October, 1888,	— —
Total, . .	—	8	Total disposed of, .	— —

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V.—Proceedings under the Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885—1886.

Applications received to 30th Sept., 1888,	2,570	Rents fixed to 30th September, 1888,	1,050	
„ in October, 1888, . .	52	„ in October, 1888, .	341	1,391
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 30th Sept., 1888, .	155	
		„ in October, 1888, .	11	166
Total, ...	2,622	Total disposed of, .	—	1,557

VI.—Appeals *re* Fair Rent, &c.

Number of Appeals lodged to 30th September, 1888, . .	28,408	Number heard to 30th Sept., 1888,	10,173	
„ in month of October, 1888,	91	„ in month of Oct., 1888,	* 2	10,175
		Number dismissed or struck out to 30th Sept., 1888, .	‡ 1,054	
		„ in month of Oct., 1888,	—	
			1,054	
		Deduct cases reinstated to 31st October, 1888, .	234	820
		Number withdrawn to 30th September, 1888, . .	11,516	
		„ in month of Oct., 1888,	34	11,550
		Total Number disposed of, .	—	22,545
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	5,954
Total, ...	28,499	Total, ...	—	28,499

* The Full number of Appeals decided by Court in October, Nil.

‡ In 623 cases the Notices were struck out because maps were not lodged as required by Rule 74, and in 431 cases because the Notices were not duly stamped. Of the former 56 cases, and of the latter 178 cases, were reinstated.

VII.—Purchase of Land (Ireland) Act, 1885.

—	Number.	Amount.
		£
Loans applied for to 30th September, 1888, ...	14,166	5,899,585
„ in month of October, 1888, ...	172	86,466
	14,338	5,986,051
Loans sanctioned to 30th September, 1888, ...	11,540	4,765,781
„ in month of October, 1888, ...	317	147,867
	11,857	4,913,648
Loans issued to 30th September, 1888, ...	8,191	3,294,418
„ in month of October, 1888, ...	441	287,939
	8,632	3,582,355

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CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF OCTOBER, 1888.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 31st day of October, 1888.

I. Fair Rent.

(a) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 30th September, 1888, . .	20,418		Rents fixed to 30th Sept., 1888,	9,695	
Applications received in month of October, 1888, . . .	87	20,505	" in month of Oct., 1888, . . .	—	9,695
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 30th September, 1888,	1,742		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th Sept., 1888, . . .	2,142	
Applications received in month of October, 1888, . . .	48	1,790	" in month of Oct., 1888, . . .	—	2,142
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 8 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending, to 30th Sept., 1888, .	835		Applications withdrawn* to 30th Sept., 1888, . .	244	
Applications received in month of October, 1888, . . .	29	864	" in month of Oct., 1888, . . .	—	244
			Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th Sept., 1888, . . .	7,643	
			" in month of Oct., 1888, . .	92	7,735
Total, . .	—	23,159	Total disposed of, .	—	19,818

(b) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 33, fixing Fair Rent to 30th September, 1888, . .	6,646
Do., do. in month of October, 1888, . .	—
Total, ...	6,848

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—Miscellaneous Originating Notices.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (*e.g.*, Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 30th September, 1888, . .	343		Number disposed of to 30th September, 1888, .	119	
Applications received in month of October, 1888, .	—	343	" in month of Oct., 1888,	—	119
			Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th Sept., 1888,	26	
			Transferred in month of October, 1888, ...	—	26
Total, . .	—	343	Total disposed of, .	—	145

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, fair rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

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III.—Applications by Lessee or Grantee to have Lease or Grant executed since 1st January, 1869, declared Void ("Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887,"—sec. 2)—Form 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,*	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 30th Sept., 1888,	—	
		„ in month of Oct., 1888,	—	—
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th Sept., 1888, . .	3	
		„ in month of Oct., 1888,	—	3
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 30th September, 1888, .	—	
		„ in month of Oct., 1888,	—	—
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court, to 30th Sept, 1888, .	—	
		„ in month of Oct., 1888,	—	—
Total, .	6	Total disposed of, .	—	3

* The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—Applications by Middleman claiming to be entitled to surrender his Holding under sec. 8 of "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887"—Form 83.

Number of Applications received to 30th September, 1888, . .	12	Applications granted to 30th Sept, 1888, . . .	—	
„ in month of Oct., 1888, .	—	„ in month of Oct., 1888, . . .	—	—
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th Sept, 1888, . . .	—	
		„ in month of Oct., 1888, . . .	—	—
		Applications withdrawn to 30th Sept., 1888, .	—	
		„ in month of Oct., 1888, . . .	—	—
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th Sept., 1888, . .	2	
		„ in month of Oct., 1888, . . .	—	2
Total, .	12	Total disposed of, .	—	2

Irish Land Commission,
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